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**Box: Patent Application** 

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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Appl. No. To be assigned; Filed: Herewith

(Divisional of Appl. No. 09/188,166; Filed: November 9, 1998)

For: **Method of Producing Vitamin Powders** 

Inventors:

Morris et al.

Our Ref:

1533.0520001/SRL/CMB

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- PTO Fee Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/17) (in duplicate); 1.
- PTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal (Form PTO/SB/05) (in 2. duplicate);
- Application Data Sheet; 3.
- U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled: 4.

Method of Producing Vitamin Powders

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and naming as inventors:

Charles A. Morris, Francis W. Calhoon, Jr., and Huey L. Willis

the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
  - i. 7 pages of description prior to the claims;
  - ii. <u>3</u> pages of claims (Claims 1-30);
  - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. A copy of the executed Declaration, as originally filed in U.S. Appl. No. 09/188,166;
- 5. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) (in duplicate);
- 6. Preliminary Amendment;
- 7. Our Check No. 32308 for \$ 1,060.00 to cover filing: \$710.00 filing fee for patent application; \$80.00 fee for excess claims; and \$270.00 multiple dependent claim fee; and
- 8. Two (2) return postcards.

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